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Local Students Win Statewide Video Competition

Municipal youth councils win Florida League of Cities' annual competition

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Five municipal youth councils from cities throughout the state recently won the Florida League of Cities' seventh annual Municipal Youth Council Video Competition. This year's competition asked councils to create 1- to 5-minute videos promoting what makes their cities great while also raising public awareness about their municipalities unique characteristics or services.

The 2018 Municipal Youth Council Video Competition winners are:

- **Town of Belleair Teen Council** – *"We Love Belleair"*
- **City of Fort Myers Teen Advisory Council** – *"Fort Myers – The Place to Be!"*
- **City of Homestead Mayor's Youth Council** – *"Journey Through Homestead"*
- **City of Mulberry Civic Teen Advisory Board** – *"More to Mulberry"*
- **City of Sanford Mayor's Youth Council** – *"Sanford is Great Because..."*

Winners will receive a trophy and monetary award, receive recognition at the League's Annual Conference, be featured in the League's statewide publication, *Quality Cities* magazine, and have their videos presented on the League's website and social media accounts.

The announcement of this year's winners coincides with Florida City Government Week, an annual weeklong celebration sponsored by the Florida League of Cities that raises awareness about the importance of municipal governments and its daily impact on residents.

Municipal Youth Councils are special citywide councils composed of high school students within the cities that typically serve as advisory boards to the city commissions/councils.

Links to all five videos are available at floridaleagueofcities.com/YCVideoWinners.

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